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Student Council Presents "Spring Fever"

Committees Chosen For Senior Play

Under the able direction of Mrs. Kallock and her assistant, Jerome Doolittle, the Senior Play, "YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU," is shaping into a production that no one will want to miss. The play will be presented on the evening of April 22.

The following committees have all been working hard to make the play a success.

STAGE: Martin Leiberger, chairman; Charles Mitchell, Richard DiLullo, Robert Mercadante, Louis Mercadante.

PROPERTIES: Cynthia Allen, chairman; Alice Arnold, Richard Davenport, Joseph Davio, Albert Girotti.

USHERS: Rosemarie Giordano, chairman; Patricia Bowne, Arlene Egbert, Avalon Safford, Barbara DiSanti, Vivian Hastings, Dora Papacini, Peggy Chechile, Carol Bailey, Barbara Sigrist, Phyllis Blanchard Marianne Fieker, Beverly Marieb, Carmella Petruzzello.

PROGRAM AND TICKETS: Sandra Fagnani, chairman; Alice Harpin, Juliette Martin, Shirley Perusse, Beverly Benson, Shirley Whitehead.

COSTUMES AND MAKE-UP: Dorothy Gregory, chairman; Phyllis Stone, Lynne Higgins, Audrey Letendre, Rosemary DiDonato.

SET: Gary Hinshaw, chairman; Louis Mercadante, James Crean.

ART: Linda Knighton, Gail Tootil, Sandra Torp, Lynne Higgins, Vivian Hastings, Juliette Martin, Dorothy Gregory, Shirley Whitehead.

Correction

In our March issue we neglected to name the writer of the editorial. Credit for the editorial goes to our Assistant Editor, Harriet Shea.



Pictured above is Phil Zarlengo and his "Mello-Tones", who will furnish the music for "Spring Fever." Left to right, front row: Ed Kosib, Al Zarlengo, Phil Zarlengo, Don Babbiste. Back row: Johnny Beltrandi and Chet Nicora. Myrna Borlen, vocalist, not pictured.

BASEBALL SEASON OPENS AT ENFIELD, APRIL 15

By Don Hastings

Agawam and Enfield will renew their athletic competition, when our Brownies battle the Nutmeggers in the season's baseball opener at Enfield, April 15. The scheduled opener should be a thriller, as all battles between these old rivals are.

Mr. Sarantopoulos will again be coach of the team this year. The coach believes that this outfit will be one of the youngest ever to take the field at Agawam High. "Though they will be young," the coach com-

mented, "they are good and will be ready to give any opponent a battle."

Though the team will be on the field battling to win every game, they will also need plenty of moral support. This year, as you all know, we get out of school at 12:20. This leaves the afternoon open for many of us and also will leave plenty of time to get to the games. Consequently, let's all try to make a special effort to get to all the games, home or away. Baseball has been the forgotten sport for too long. Let's put it back in the spotlight!

Freshmen Party

The Freshmen Party will be held May 27. The general chairman of the party is Emile Daglio. The chairmen of the different committees are: Programs and entertainment, Gloria DiDonato; invitations, Carol Tricinema; refreshments and clean-up, Wendell Gosse. The party should be a big success. Good luck to the Freshman class!

Future Events

April 15 — Student Council Dance
April 19 — Patriots' Day
April 22 — Senior Play
April 29 — Spring vacation begins

Co-ed: "Daddy, the girl who sits next to me in class has a dress just like mine."

Dad: "So you want a new dress?"

Co-ed: "Well, it would be cheaper than changing colleges."

"Spring Fever," a semi-formal dance, with the boys inviting the girls, will be sponsored by the Student Council on April 15th at 8 o'clock, in the High School Auditorium. Admission is \$1.25 per couple. Music will be furnished by Phil Zarlengo and his "Mello-Tones."

Student Council members in charge of various committees are: General chairman, Gerry Casiello; decorations, Arlene Egbert; invitations and souvenirs, Shirley Pond; tickets and publicity, Joanne Meissner; music, Tommy O'Keefe; clean-up, Jane Masure; entertainment, Stan Drzyzga; refreshments, Barbara Meissner.

Tickets for the dance may be purchased from Johnny Beltrandi, Chet Nicora, Larry Gallerani, Betty Behrens, Joanne Meissner, Betty Ann Cote, Tommy O'Keefe, Celine LaFleur, Gerry Casiello, and Barbara Bellano.

Prom Committees Selected

The Junior Class has named chairmen of the committees for the coming Prom on May 20. They are as follows: General Chairman, Betty Ann Cote; Music and Entertainment, Donald Gould; Decorations, Marion Templeman; Ushers, Jane Andrews; Tickets and Publicity, Carolyn Aldrich; Invitations and Programs, Harriet Shea; Refreshments, Constance McGovern; Clean-Up, David Monaghan.

These chairmen are all busy doing their best to make this Prom the finest yet.

The Graduation Committees have also been chosen from the Junior class. Ushers, Ann Cloutier; Refreshments, Harriet Shea; Decorations, Dorothy Roos. Committee for Class Hats: Carolyn Aldrich and Thomas O'Keefe.



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Tri-Hi-Y Conference

By Arlene Egbert

On Friday, March 4th, 10 Tri-Hi girls, Arlene Egbert, Jean Brezinski, Anita Rosso, Nancy Reynolds, Carole Sulborski, Cynthia Allen, Joanne Meissner, Barbara Meissner, Joan O'Connor, Joyce Chriscola, and Miss Miller, Tri-Hi advisor, left for an exciting three days in Pittsfield, Mass.

Upon our arrival we registered and were taken to the homes of our hosts.

The opening session started, as did every session, with Hubert Hill, one of the best directors of community singing in New England, leading us in songs.

The address was given by Mr. Paul Harris, Jr., and Lois Faber Harris on "Living Together — and Liking It", which was the theme of our conference.

That night we ate our supper in the Pittsfield High Cafeteria, midst the shouting and singing of school songs by each town. We soon found out that 540 girls can make a great deal of noise.

At the evening session, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Jr., spoke on "Delinquency — and What Else?" the first of their three-part address.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris spoke for about twenty minutes, then with many questions in our minds, the entire assembly divided into thirty-three groups in the classrooms of P. H. S. Here the girls discussed the Harris' talk and wrote down any questions they wanted to ask. Upon returning to the auditorium, Mr. and Mrs. Harris answered all the questions asked.

The girls then returned to their respective homes for a good nights sleep.

Early Saturday morning (9:00 A. M., but nearer 9:30 A. M.) Mr. and Mrs. Harris spoke on the subject: "Boys Will Be — Men, If . . ." This was a topic of great interest to all the girls attending.

After a discussion the business session commenced, and the 1956 conference officers were elected.

Th address for the afternoon session was ntitled: "To Segregate or Associate: Our Choice." Again we girls enjoyed Mr. and Mrs. Harris' talk.

At the close of the afternoon session we had a chance to shop, and get ready for the banquet and the evening's social program.

After the banquet came introductions and the installation of 1956 conference officers. The Barber Shop Quartet from the Orpheus Male Chorus sang several numbers for us.

We had our choice of going to the dance or going to see a Danny Kaye movie. We girls, along with Miss

Miller, elected to watch Danny Kaye and were not sorry for it, because he certainly was funny.

Sunday morning we went to the church of our choice, or to a church with our hosts. After church we had a delicious Sunday dinner with our hosts before saying a quick good-bye, so that we might arrive at the closing session on time.

Mr. Hill again led us in songs. Mr. H. Parker Landsdale, 3rd, spoke on "Living Together — The World Y.M.C.A. Centennial," thus ending a wonderful conference.

Will we ever forget—

"our train that swayed"

"hauling suitcases up that hill"

"Nancy and Joan's chauffer"

"lying in bed until 2:30 A. M., gab-bing"

"Jean, Cynthia and the food"

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F.F.A. News

James A. Reardon, former president of the Agawam Chapter Future Farmers of America and now state officer and a member of the state executive committee, is being nominated for the American Farmer Degree, the highest honor one can obtain in Future Farmers. One boy out of every thousand who are members of the F.F.A. are entitled to this privilege.

James started in 1950 with an ownership project of 6 dairy cattle. Today James has built his cattle herd up to 14. In addition, he has been an outstanding leader in school activities, outstanding in scholarship and in citizenship. In his application to the national office, James shows that he has \$19,750 invested in livestock, savings, bonds, equipment, etc.

If James is elected to American Farmer Degree, he will be the first candidate Massachusetts has ever had for the nomination of National F.F.A. officer.

Two other young men have been selected by Mr. Skolnick, the F.F.A. Advisor, as candidates for the State Farmer Degree. They are Peter A. Cecchi, Jr., and William I. Rhodes. These two boys have had an outstanding record in local leadership, scholarship, and community service. Peter lives on a 52 acre farm on Shoemaker Lane in partnership with his father. Bill Rhodes lives in the city of Springfield and has worked for the Hilltop Dairy Farm in Suffield, Conn. At present he is employed at the Eastern States Farmers' Exchange.

Two per cent of the enrollment of F.F.A. boys in Massachusetts is entitled for membership of this degree which is approximately twenty boys

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ALUMNI

Starting off this month is a list of our graduates for whom wedding bells will soon be ringing:

Chester Sulborski, Jr., '52 to Patricia Williamson

Joan Brissette to James O'Connor
Beverly Monette '51 to George Paro '51

John Mercadante '50 to Mary Barcomb

Norman Channel '51 to Dorcas An Hickok

Geraldine Longey '53 to Roger Giguere

Sandra Kelley '54 to John Rescigno

Betty Schoolcraft '53 to Edward Ohler

Irene Webler '49 to Charles Hayward

Rosemary Longhi '49 to Herbert Fuller, Jr.

Ann Oberhein '53 to Richard Han-non '52

Four Agawam girls who recently received their caps at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford are Theresa Wright, Mildred Pohner, Judy Hyland, and Dolores Giordano, all of the class of '54. At the Springfield Hospital Training School for Nurses, Julie Mercier, '54, has received her cap.

Joanne Beltrandi, '50, is a member of the March '55 graduating class

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Hi, everybody. Here we are once again bringing the latest "news" to the faithful followers of our column. Let's begin without delay!

Carole S.—Who is the secret admirer? Craig M.—Those Saturday and Sunday nights! Sandy F.—Big hopes for the Prom? Gretchen P.—Oh, those telephone calls! Hattie S.—Whom are the lavender and pink shirts for? Carolyn A.—A crush on that certain senior! Janet K.—You will do all that for Red! Jane M.—Always taking a back seat! Bill H.—Taking over where Craig left off? Joe W.—Please go to the Prom! G. O'Keefe—Eyes on J. J.? Jean B.—You're Archie's best friend! Frank M.—When's the wedding? Corinne R.—The best letter writer of 1955! Carolyn F.—Is Wednesday night



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your laugh night? C. Bailey—Do you always give away hidden secrets? J. Doolittle—Mr. Cecil B. Doolittle! Pat B.—Catch anyone yet? Alice A.—Were you surprised? Alice H.—Hoppy! Bev. B.—Pride! Ronnie—Keep your jokes to yourself! Joanne—Just a little bit worried? Peggy—A big interest in Tech's football team? Marge—A special liking for Sampson? Shirley P.—"Sweetieface"! Marge and Joyce—What's so interesting in Westfield? Jane A.—Why be afraid of the Class Will? Harriet—Joe D. or Joe P.? Joyce C.—Did you get over the curbs? Red—Dorothy Dix of Agawam High? D. Gould—Who's that blond freshman? Lillian H.—Rockville, here I come! Judy M.—We think he's cute, too! Kathy S.—Need a file to keep track of them! Joan B.—Was he really stunned? Judy C.—What happened to Curly's car? Whitie—How's the beloved Rita? Jane A.—A dear John letter? Judy S.—Those Sunday night rides! Mary Ann—Do you really think he's cute? Lee E.—Did you give H. S. a chance? Ann D.—Who are you looking for? Shirley P.—What a mess! Donnie—Is your refrigerator still running? Janet and Red—Off and on! Gretchen—Still trying? Craig M.—More nights of the week to keep them all happy! Stan D.—Extra trips to Chicopee lately? H. Rivers—Who's the girl that keeps you from practice? Meissner twins—How about melting some of that ice in your driveway!

In closing—a special warning to Seniors at play rehearsals! We're keeping our ears and eyes open! So long 'til next month!

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Junior High Jottings

Here we are again in the halls of the Junior High, bringing our readers up to date on the latest items of interest!

Sandy K.—Who is the boy in Room 22? Marlene B.—Is Tinker still interested? Phil H.—Why is Leslie mad at you? Janice C. and Bill L.—It's no secret anymore! Genevieve G.—Going stag? Barbara R.—What's this about Tony K.? Gail—Whose identification bracelet? Paul F.—Make up your mind! Ray V.—What happened in English class? Sylvia—Is Steve keeping you guessing? Kathy M.—Who's the tenth grader? Dorothy M.—Is it Billy or Joe? Dianne R.—Did you have fun at the dance? Ginger R.—So you think red-heads are best? Norma R.—Could it still be Jim? Flo D.—Who is Timmy W.?

Marilyn P.—Did you really like Jackie? Betty P.—Did you make up with Carl? Tom C.—Just playing the field now? Teddy D.—Is it Betty? Carol S.—Back to Ken! Allan B.—Who is it now? Marie S.—Paul who? Chip—Still "no comment"? Jimmy K.—Still waiting for Julie? Janice P.—Oh, Dicky! Betty P.—Carl finally learned the dance step! Judy E.—Made up with Richie yet?

Glo B.—Who's next? P. Mazza—Who's the boy from Tech? Cathie H.—Is he in Room 22? Pito—She isn't as shy as you thought! Judy P.—What happened to your interest in Westfield?

That's all for now, but watch your step, we'll be back soon!

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Sophomores	7	4	.663
Freshmen	0	12	.000

This may look like the Freshmen have a hopeless team; but they are loaded with spirit and have given the other teams some stiff competition.

Baseball Schedule

April 15—At Enfield
26—Ware (home)
29—At Palmer
May 3—South Hadley (home)
10—Ludlow (home)
13—At Easthampton
17—West Side (home)
20—At Ware
24—At South Hadley
27—At Ludlow
31—Easthampton (home)
June 3—Palmer (home)
7—Enfield (home)
10—A West Side

ALUMNI

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and Harriet Beltrandi '52, will be awarded her nurse's cap in September at the Mass. General Hospital of Nursing.

Robert Faye '50, has entered the University of Massachusetts after serving his time in the Armed Forces. At Bay Path Junior College, Ther-

esa Morassi '54, has been named to the Dean's list and Sandra Zerra, '54, achieved commendable honors.

Richard August, '53, has been initiated into membership in the college chapter of Alpha Delta Sigma at Babson Institution of Business Administration, Wellesley, Mass.

Ronald Balboni, '50, Walter A. Haggerty, Jr., '46, and Theresa Vedany, '51, have been named to the Dean's list at A. I. C.

Theresa Vedany, '51, and Malter Haggerty, '46, also served on the committee for the 15th annual Model Congress at A. I. C.

Mary Lynch, '53, is now working in our school office. She is secretary for Mr. Harris and the Junior High School.

John Hess, '53, has arrived from Korea, where he was stationed for 18 months with the U. S. Army.

Clem Hobbs '53, has arrived in California on his way home from Korea. Clem is in the U. S. Marine Corps.

Alfred P. Casella '50, has been named to the Dean's list at Rensselaer Polytechnical Institute for exceptional merit in scholastic work during the first half of this college year.

No doubt you have heard that Anna Morassi Krolicki '49, former secretary of A. H. S., has given birth to twin girls. She has named the twins Sandra Ann and Sally Ann.

Eugene Krygowski '50, is stationed in France with the U. S. Army.

That's it 'til next time.

F.F.A. NEWS

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in the state of Massachusetts.

Agawam chapter once again is submitting the 1954-55 farm safety application this year. The chapter visited 43 farms where they spotted 105 danger areas. Seventy-five of these danger spots were corrected by the boys. The rest of the danger spots were of such magnitude that professional contractors were needed. In addition, District Forest Fire Warden Holten lectured and quizzed the boys on the prevention and con-

trol of forest fires. The boys also learned first aid instruction on common things such as the use of pressure areas, control of shock, fractures, etc.

Geary Hinshaw's application is being submitted as candidate for the National and State Farm Safety Award. Geary filled out an eight page report pointing out the highlights of his experience in the field of farm mechanics; some of them in working at the Chriscola Farm Implement Company, winning the State Championship Tractor Driving Contest in 1952-53, state winner in Tractor Driving Contest for 4-H and being one of the active leaders of the chapter.

The F.F.A. Parents' and Son banquet was a huge success, with over 100 attending.

The Agawam Chapter plans a joint out-door banquet with the Enfield Chapter, sometime in the future. A definite date has not been set.

Fashion-ating Facts

Spring has come again, bringing its gay colors and charming prints. The vivid colors for this spring are yellow and the up and coming tangerine. For accessories, a new color heading the top with the everloved pastels is avocado.

The Easter Parade will bring out many of the charming styles of the box suit. Many are very cute with the new sailor collar, which we will be seeing much of this season.

In addition to the plain colors, the flowery prints are taking their places at the top, along with the small checks and dots.

Rapidly stealing into fashions are the cummerbunds worn with bermuda shorts and skirts. They are similar to the sashes on a man's tuxedo.

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